

Manti City Council Meeting and Public Hearing

MINUTES

October 12, 2022
6:30 PM

MANTI CITY BUILDING
50 SOUTH MAIN STREET

MEETING CALLED BY	Mayor Alfred C. Bigelow
TYPE OF MEETING	Regular Council Meeting and Public Hearing
ATTENDEES	Mayor: Alfred C. Bigelow Councilmembers: Gary Chidester, Darren Dyreng, Jeff Killian and Jason Vernon City Manager: Kent Barton City Recorder: JoAnn Otten
ABSENT	Councilmember Mary Wintch
WELCOME	Mayor Bigelow
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE	Led by Councilmember Dyreng

Public Hearing

ITEM 1	Public Hearing Regarding Proposed Disposal of Approximately 13 Acres of City-Owned Property.
Mayor Bigelow welcomed all present for the public hearing. The Mayor then stated that this public hearing is being held to take public comment concerning the proposed disposal of approximately 13 acres of city owned property through trade to Sanpete County. Specifically, the property proposed to be traded by Manti City includes parcel #S-7083X (approximately 12 acres) located in Sanpete County south of the Manti City incorporated boundary, and additionally approximately 1 acre located within Manti City, being part of parcel #S-6661. As part of the proposed trade, Manti City would receive approximately 9 acres from Sanpete County located within Manti City and comprised within parcel #So-6661X.	

He then opened the floor and invited comment regarding the proposed property trade.

Mr. Steve Thorsen inquired if the city would be gaining anything in the trade.

Mayor Bigelow said that the city would gain 9 acres but would lose the old dump site on the dump road.

CONCLUSIONS

As there was no public comment, the Mayor closed the hearing.

Public Hearing ended at 6:05 p.m.

Regular Council Meeting

ITEM 2

Joan Shand - Report on Manti City's Halloween Festival.

Mayor Bigelow recognized Joan Shand, Chair of the Halloween Festival.

Joan reported that she is very excited for the Halloween Festival that is scheduled for October 29th at 5:30 p.m., and she invited the Mayor and City Council to attend the celebration. She noted that the committee could use additional help in areas such as parking automobiles for the trunk 'n treat. She also mentioned that Councilmember Dyreng has offered to help in the pumpkin patch area of the event.

Joan then expressed her thanks to the local businesses for their support in donating gift certificates, which will be a 50/50 split with Manti City paying half and the business donating half. She also thanked the Mayor and Council for their support and also the citizens of Manti.

CONCLUSIONS

Mayor Bigelow thanked Joan for her hard work and dedication in chairing the Halloween event.

ITEM 3

Sheriff Jared Buchanan - Request to address the Mayor and Council regarding contract for police service.

Mayor Bigelow said that the law contract with the Sanpete County Sheriff's Department has not been renewed since 2011 and there will now be a price increase for the calendar year 2023. He then recognized Sheriff Jared Buchanan.

Sheriff Buchanan reported that Manti City began contracting with Sanpete County in 1990 with the last signed contract being in 2011. He said state statute requires cities to either provide their own law enforcement or contract for service. Due to substantial increases in wages/benefits, services and supplies it is necessary to rework and increase the cost of the law contract with Manti City. The new law enforcement contract with Sanpete County is proposed at a cost of \$313,933 per year, which is an increase of a little over \$150,000 per year. He also reported that in the previous years \$10,000 had been paid towards the school resource office, but that is now handled through the South Sanpete School District and not the Sheriff's Department.

Councilmember Killian inquired if the contract would provide any code/zoning enforcement, and Sheriff Buchanan said that the city has a ZAN officer which handles issues pertaining to city ordinance and the sheriff's department handles state statute items.

Sheriff Buchanan then provided some statistics as to call outs for services, etc.

Councilmember Dyreng said that he has felt the Sheriff's Department has done a great job for Manti City.

CONCLUSION

Sheriff Buchanan thanked the Mayor and Council and stated he would attend a council meeting in November with a draft Interlocal Law Enforcement Agreement for 2023 and negotiate same with the Mayor and City Council.

ITEM 4

Derk Pallfreyman & Kelly Johnson - Request to address the Mayor and Council regarding application for approval of Crystal Springs Subdivision - phase I.

Derk Pallfreyman and Kelly Johnson stated that they had attended the Planning Commission meeting and received approval of the subdivision with a few stipulations.

Councilmember Killian said that the issue of a vinyl fence being placed around the subdivision had been a big issue and inquired if this had been changed in the plans. Ms. Johnson said that they were looking into a strong metal fence to be placed on Lowry Hill Road.

City Manager Barton advised that the planning commission had required a fence around the entire perimeter of the subdivision but had not specified it to be vinyl.

He then said that the metal fence around the ballfield would be a type of fence that would be sufficient for the perimeter fencing around the subdivision.

Councilmember Dyreng inquired if the water shares have been transferred over to Manti City, and Barton said that this amount is based on a formula and will be provided to Dirk and Kelly.

Councilmember Dyreng stated that no permit should be issued until the water shares have been transferred over to Manti City.

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Councilmember Darren Dyreng moved to approve the subdivision with no permits being issued until the agreed water shares have been transferred to Manti City and that the City Manager have the authority to approve the type of perimeter fence required around the subdivision, seconded by Councilmember Jeff Killian.

Councilmembers voting “aye”: Darren Dyreng, Jeff Killian, Jason Vernon and Gary Chidester. Councilmembers voting “nay”: none.

Mayor Bigelow then clarified that the fence should be placed prior to any construction taking place so there will be no access from Highway 89.

ITEM 5	Cory Hatch, Public Works Director - Update on electronic water meter conversion, columbarium placement landscape design and concept for NE corner Union/Main Street landscape feature.
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Public Works Director Cory Hatch reported that the crew is busy reading water meters this month, and replacing approximately 200 old water meters with the new electronic meters. They will be continuing to replace the old meters in October and November.

He said that he had met with Mayor Bigelow, Councilmembers Wintch and Killian at the cemetery to review the placement and plans for the columbarium. He noted that if the columbarium is placed east and west, then there will be room for a second columbarium in the future.

Public Works Director Hatch then addressed the area on the northeast corner of Union Street (in the grocery store parking lot). He reported that this area had been hard to maintain and very time consuming for the crew. He then presented a maintenance free plan with an 18” wall and a bench attached noting it could be built with brick, concrete style, etc. but the water feature would be eliminated.

CONCLUSION	
Councilmember Vernon thanked Cory and said he liked the idea presented and supported same. Mayor Bigelow agreed and stated to keep it simple and clean is the goal.	

ITEM 6	Discussion relative to proposed disposal of approximately 13 acres of city-owned property through trade to Sanpete County.
Mayor Bigelow inquired if there was any discussion relative to the property trade with Sanpete County. Councilmember Dyreng stated that he feels the city benefits with the trade and supports same. As there was no additional discussion, Mayor Bigelow called for a motion.	
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Councilmember Jeff Killian made the motion to dispose of city-owned property, by trade with Sanpete County. Specifically, the property including parcel #S-7083X (approximately 12 acres) located in Sanpete County south of the Manti City incorporated boundary, and additionally approximately 1 acre located within Manti City, being part of parcel #S-6661 and as part of the proposed trade, Manti City will receive approximately 9 acres from Sanpete County located within Manti City and comprised within parcel #S-6661X. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Gary Chidester. Councilmember Jason Vernon stated that he would abstain from voting due to a conflict of interest. Councilmembers voting “aye”: Jeff Killian, Gary Chidester and Darren Dyreng. Councilmembers voting “nay”: none. Councilmembers abstaining: Councilmember Jason Vernon.	

ITEM 7	Kent Barton - Monthly financial report: September 2022 statements.
City Manager Barton presented the September 2022 financial statement, which is attached to and made part of the minutes.	

He reported that 25% of the budget year is complete with total budgeted revenues realized at approximately 29.5% and total budgeted expenses coming in at 30.3%.

He then reviewed the Enterprise and Special Revenue Funds with water revenue at 12.2% of budget and expenses at 14.4%, sewer department budgeted revenues at 18% and expenses at 15.3% and electric fund budgeted revenues at 18.4% and expenses 25.5%.

He made note of the Rescue Plan Act Grant (ARPA), which will be used for the upcoming water treatment plant.

Some discussion ensued.

ITEM 8	Continuing Business.
Discussion concerning need to resurface swimming pool.	
City Manager Barton reported that Renew Pool detected a major leak in the pool gutter system, which must be sealed prior to the resurfacing of the pool. A cost estimate for the leak repair has not been received but it is planned that project this will be completed by the end of the year.	

ITEM 9	Councilmember reports.
Councilmember Killian reported that he had attended the County/Cities Joint Highway Committee staffed by ULCT, the Utah Association of Counties and UDOT. He noted that there are grants available for cities through the state and he will research same and report back to the Mayor and City Council.	
He stated that the quarterly newsletter has been mailed out with the utility billing.	
Councilmember Killian said he had attended the ULCT Annual Conference and reported on same.	
Councilmember Dyreng stated he had also attended the ULCT Annual Conference and felt it is beneficial in helping cities stay caught up in current events within the legislature.	

ITEM 10	Public Comment - two minutes per each comment.
None	

ITEM 11	Mayor Bigelow
Mayor Bigelow reported on the following items: • UMPA will be hosting a tour of Hunter Power Plant on October 24th and if any of the Council is interested in attending, let him know. • Visited the Patten House with the DUP, Councilmembers Killian and Wintch. There are repairs needed and also discussed involving volunteers to complete some of the work. • Six-County is moving forward with the proposed Ag Park which would establish a processing plant for local producers.	

ITEM 12	Consideration of minutes of the previous meetings (Council Meeting – September 21, 2022).
The Mayor directed Councilmembers to draft minutes of September 21, 2022 regular council meeting. After brief discussion, seeing there were no errors or changes noted, he called for a motion to accept the minutes as presented.	
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Councilmember Jason Vernon made the motion to accept the minutes of the September 21st Regular Council Meeting, seconded by Councilmember Darren Dyreng. Councilmembers voting “aye”: Jason Vernon, Darren Dyreng, Gary Chidester and Jeff Killian. Councilmembers voting “nay”: none.	

ITEM 13	City Manager’s Report
City Manager Kent Barton reported on the following: • Interviews have been scheduled with the three engineer companies that provided proposals for the water treatment plant. Mayor Bigelow, Councilmembers Killian and Vernon, Public Works Director and City Manager will be involved in the interviews. • Manti City will apply for CIB funding in January for a water treatment plant and will also be checking into funds available to help enhance the position with CIB for funding. • Encouraged City Councilmembers to watch legislation and to communicate with our legislatures on issues that may affect cities and towns.	

ADJOURNED	7:30 P.M.
NEXT MEETING DATE	Regular Council Meeting – November 2, 2022

General Account

Zions First National Bank	\$1,399.51
Darren Dyreng	174.64
Utah State Treasurer	811.67
Zions First National Bank	1,525.15

Alfred Bigelow, Mayor

JoAnn Otten, City Recorder